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Deputy Political Counselor met with Julien Juarez, the Deputy Director of the Foreign Ministry's UN Office, December 6, to urge Mexico to attend and support the upcoming donors conference in Paris. Juarez was not aware Mexico had been invited to the conference but was confident if that were the case it would send a representative. He did not speak to whether Mexico would announce a pledge of assistance but that is probably unlikely. Juarez suggested he was impressed with U.S. efforts to bring together the Israeli and Palestinian leaders in Annapolis in the face of resistance from their own domestic constituencies. Attendance by major regional players including from the Arab world was noteworthy but in the end he considered continued strong U.S. leadership indispensable to the achievement of any lasting peace settlement in the Middle East.

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